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1. On 15 June 1954, several small [] patrol vessels were sighted between Ruhnu Island (N 57-48, E 23-15) and Daugavgriva proceeding at speeds between 35 and 40 knots. They were step-bottom boats 15 to 18 meters long, which lifted their forward third out of the water when running at high speed. They had a raking bow, a small open bridge, and a small recess in the side in the middle of the foredeck. The foredeck extended as far as the torpedo tubes fitted below the bridge on the port and starboard side. They had a flush fantail with a machine gun mounted on the forward half. 25X1
2. Two major Soviet naval units, which appeared to be POLUKHIN-Class vessels, were seen in Riga Harbor. Approximately 20 [] PT boats, similar to those observed off Daugavgriva, were moored in the harbor. At dusk they were lifted out of the water by cranes and placed on chocks ashore. In the early morning they were hoisted out again. 25X1

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